



Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA), office of the Indiana State Archaeologist*
- **HPF Grant Applications deadline coming up-** Don't forget that the deadline for proposals for Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant projects is Friday, October 6, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. This is not a postmark deadline, and late proposals will not be accepted. Applications can be found at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/#>. Contact the DHPA Grants Staff with questions at 317/232-1646. We hope to receive a number of archaeology grant proposals!
- **Indiana Archaeology Month events-** The DHPA archaeologists were pleased to attend a number of Indiana Archaeology Month events this year, and even more excited that a number of these visits were to locations that had never held events before! Each year it is so gratifying to hear from visitors to the events about their interest in, enjoyment of, and support of, archaeology. It is also always great to see young people learning about archaeology in Indiana!



A young person trying her hand at pottery making.



Young people enjoying a mock excavation area at the Falls of the Ohio State Park.

Dr. Jones identifying artifacts at the Dubois County Museum. Photo by Karen Heathcoat.



- Feedback about Indiana Archaeology Month-** As was stated in September's *Archaeology News*, public feedback is always important regarding events held during Indiana Archaeology Month. If you attended an event during Indiana Archaeology Month, and didn't have the chance to fill out a feedback form, there is still time! If you complete one and submit it, you will be entered into a drawing, and might be the lucky winner of an Indiana Archaeology Month shirt! The form is located at (<http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/archeocalendar.html>). In addition, the event hosts will soon receive forms to complete and submit to our office. These completed forms allow us to know the public's thoughts about the events they attended, as well as hear ideas for future activities.



- DHPA office space-** Progress is being made on the office space of the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology. The carpet has all been removed and replaced, and walls have been taken out and reconfigured. The work, therefore, is also progressing on the construction of the new records check area for our visitors. The staff members are all very anxious to be back in our re-modeled and expanded space!



This photo shows the area near the front door. The carpet has been removed, and a wall has been knocked out, making more room for the expanded records check room. Things are happening daily now!

State Archaeologist Dr. Jones in his temporary office space in the Division of Entomology and Plant Pathology.



- Comments for the National Park Service-** The archaeology section of the DHPA has commented on a number of the National Historic Landmarks (NHL) properties. Comments regarding recommended archaeological investigations, known threats to the properties, and any changes or developments which happened at the properties within the last year were all covered and will be provided to the National Park Service. If you are interested in seeing the National Historic Landmarks Program's website on these and other NHLs in the country, go to <http://www.cr.nps.gov/nhl/>.



Grouseland, a National Historic Landmark in southwestern Indiana, was one of the NHL properties that the archaeology section provided comments on recently. In mid 2005, ground disturbing activities in the yard accidentally uncovered hundreds of archaeological artifacts. For additional information, see the archive of *Archaeology News* at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/archmonth/newsltrs/june2005.pdf>.

- **DHPA Archaeologists will attend the Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference-**

The DHPA archaeologists are looking forward to attending the Midwest Historical Archaeology Conference on November 4th at Ball State University in Muncie, IN. Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy L. Johnson will be giving a presentation on Indiana's role in the National Park Service's Historic Preservation Study which recorded resources from the



Revolutionary War and the War of 1812. For further information regarding the conference, go to http://mdgroover.iweb.bsu.edu/Midwest_HA%20Conf.htm.



Amy Johnson recording a site using GPS technology. She will speak about the project which involved this survey work as well as research.

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Indiana Archaeology Month (September) webpage-
www.IN.gov/dnr/historic/archeomonth.html

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